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Remarks/Arguments

Claims 1-52 are pending in this Application. Applicant respectfully requests cancellation of Claims 9-46 and 48-52 without prejudice. In the Office Action mailed June 12, 2005, the Examiner rejected Claims 1-8 and 47 under 35 U.S.C.§ 112, second paragraph, for containing subject matter not described in the specification in such as way as to reasonably convey one skilled in the art that in inventor(s) had possession of the claimed invention at the time the application was filed. The Examiner further states, "the specification teaches a method of preparing a proteoliposome comprising the step of contacting a liposome with an effective portion of RLIP76 to create a proteoliposome, wherein the proteoliposome may be further added to a toxic compound." Applicants thank the Examiner for his statement. Applicants further submit amended Claims 1 and 47, amended to include the Examiner's recommendation, by including in the amended claims a method "comprising the steps of contacting a liposome with an effective portion of RalBP1 to create a proteoliposome, wherein the proteoliposome is further added to one or more toxic compounds." As pointed out by the Examiner, support for the amendment is provided in the specification, at, for example, paragraph [0011].

With this Amendment, Applicants are intending to bring prosecution to a speedy conclusion. This response and the amendments set forth herein are in compliance with the rules for submitting a reply after final rejection under 37 CFR § 1.116. Accordingly, this reply only cancels claims, adopts examiner suggestions, complies with any requirement of form expressly set forth in the Office action mailed June 28, 2006, and/or presents rejected claims in better form for consideration before appeal. No new matter has been introduced with this reply and no new issues requiring further consideration and/or search have been introduced with the amendments set forth herein. Accordingly, consideration for and allowance of amended Claims 1 and 47 and all claims depending therefrom are respectfully requested.

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Conclusion

Consideration for and allowance of the claims provided in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 2 of this paper are respectfully requested for the reasons set forth herein. Accordingly, favorable consideration for and allowance of these claims are respectfully requested. No new matter has been introduced with this Amendment.

No fees are believed to be due with this response. If this is incorrect, Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge such fees, other than the issue fee, that may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 07-0153.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, or if further clarification is required, it is requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Dated: August 28, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,
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